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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 3, 2006**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 3, 2006 in the abovereferenced patent application. This Response is being submitted within the first month after the shortened statutory period set for response in the Office Action. A separate Petition and Fee for a one-month extension of time are being submitted herewith. With the extension, the deadline for response is reset to expire on June 3, 2006.

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## **AMENDMENTS**

Amend the application, without prejudice, as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this Response.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this Response (Replacement Sheets and Annotated Marked-Up Drawing Sheets are attached).

Remarks, including Interview Summary, begin on page 5 of this Response.